

**RESCHEDULED MEETING
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
JUNE 19, 2007 – 3:00 P.M.
TRIBAL OFFICE BOARDROOM**

1. Call to Order & Roll Call: CHAIRMAN Eugene Caldwell called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Corn, Todd Every, Rick Warrington, and Yvette Ducane. MEMBERS ABSENT: Kenneth A. Fish, Laurie Reiter, Pat Corn and Dave Grignon. ALSO PRESENT: Wayne Connivichnah and Kim Komanekin.
2. Moment of Silence. A moment of silence was observed.
3. Approval of Minutes dated May 8, 2007.

On page 2 of 4 the year should read 2007 not 2006.

Motion made by Todd Every to approve the minutes dated May 8, 2007 with the noted correction. Second was by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 4 absent (Fish, Reiter, Corn and Grignon).

4. Wayne Connahvichnah: Land Lease request

The Committee reviewed Mr. Connahvichnah request to move his trailer home from one lot in Middle Village to another lot one street away. He has been dry walling, replaced all the windows. Mr. Warrington cannot issue a permit because the trailer home is not hooked up.

Mr. Connahvichnah is currently living in the Eagle's Nest and has already had two extensions and the Director is requesting that he vacate. Mr. Caldwell will contact Lisa S. Waukau to see if it would be possible to extend him an additional sixty (60) days to complete the leasing process.

Once the trailer is ready for inspection; Mr. Connahvichnah will need to come back to the Committee for his request.

Motion made by Todd Every to table this item until the next meeting. Second was by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 4 absent (Fish, Reiter, Corn and Grignon).

5. Water and Wastewater increases for Neopit, Middle Village, Keshena, Zoar, Red Wing and Trailer Courts.

Dave Corn is requesting an increase for the utilities. The last increase was October 17, 2003. If the Utility Department needs to utilize the reserve cash; the reserve could make it another year and a half but this would not cover a major expense such as a lift station going out.

Motion made by Todd Every to recommend to the Legislature to approve the Menominee Tribal Utility Department rate increase as presented. Second was by Yvette Ducane. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 1 abstention (Corn) and 4 absent (Fish, Reiter, Corn and Grignon).

6. St. Joseph's Church.

Todd Every and David Grignon inspected the church for vandalism. There was a community meeting held on June 12, 2007 and the community expressed their concerns again from the vandalism. There are community members that will take care of the outside.

This building has been neglected for the past five (5) years. The pews and the confessional are still in the church. There are still painting showing the twelve (12) stations. The pipes for the organ are still there. The church alter is there. A survey was conducted and the community would still like to see the building up there; but there is no help. This item has been discussed in the March and June, 2007 South Branch Community Meeting.

This building is on the Historic Preservation list and there may be potential for grants.

Motion made by Yvette Ducane to refer this matter to the Legislature informing them that this is an issue and what would the Legislature like to do with this item. (Vandalism and which department needs to take care of the building). Second was by Rick Warrington. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 4 absent (Fish, Reiter, Corn and Grignon).

7. NiiWin House Proposal.

There was a legal opinion stating that this property can not be sold.

Another item was that the Economic Task Force would like to utilize the building to pursue the potential for a bottled water business.

Motion made by Todd Every to table this item for further instructions. Second was by Rick Warrington. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 4 absent (Fish, Reiter, Corn and Grignon).

8. Recreational Lease Policy Revision.

Todd Every gave the Committee a brief summary on the history of this policy. Kim Komanekin was present for any questions that the Committee may have.

The policy that was presented was not approved on the Legislative level due to the fact that there was no provision for inheritances (Article IX) or catastrophic events (Article VIII, subsection 7).

The Committee went over the draft Policy and did some minor grammar corrections and discussed the waiting list concept. Fees will be set by Legislative motion at no less then a 2 percent increase annually. The final appeal procedure will be thru the Menominee Tribal Court.

Motion made by Rick Warrington to request that the legal department attend the next meeting for review of the recreational draft lease policy. Second was by Dave Corn. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 4 absent (Fish, Reiter, Corn and Grignon).

9. Land Use Plan-Update.

Todd Every updated the Committee to inform them that they a job description had been developed to hire a map coordinator/planner. This position will be to gather the data necessary and to coordinate the information in order to update the Land Use Plan.

10. Tribal Energy Planning Conference.

The Conference was cancelled and there has been another one scheduled August 10 thru the 14, 2007 in Denver Colorado. Todd Every and Llewellyn Boyd will be in attendance. Mr. Caldwell informed the Committee that he will be in attendance and urged other committee members to attend if their budget would support this travel.

11. Dyan Nickey Business Lease

Todd Every updated the Committee that Tribal Chairman Waukau and himself met with Mrs. Nickey and the recommendations have been proposed and accepted and will be drafted for further departmental input.

12. Other Business.

The cemetery in South Branch is near capacity. There is a proposed cemetery was prepared in the Middle Village area.

County Hwy AA is not been completed. This goes from County M to St Joe's Road. County bid it out and both times it was over budget. It has been placed out on bids. The price of asphalt is considerably higher.

The plan did not expand the existing cemeteries. It is a plan for one cemetery for all denomination. Mr. Every needs to know on who will keep the records on this cemetery.

Mr. Every informed the Committee that right now that the Department is forwarding their leases for BIA signature whereas other Tribes do not. The Realty Department does not sign off and return the leases back in a timely manner. There are some legal aspects in not having the BIA sign off.

Mr. Caldwell informed the Committee that at the General Council meeting held on Saturday, Mr. Reiter informed the membership that a natural gas pipeline would cost 4 million dollars to construct.

13. Adjournment:

Motion made by Yvette Ducane/Todd Every to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Peters, Recorder
Legislative Staff